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### PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 February 6, 2006

Sir:

The above-identified Applicant respectfully requests a one-month extension of time within which to file an RCE and a Rule 116 Response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2005, to expire February 6, 2006.

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